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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos.

In ~~Part~~ B for

SUBJECT.

Extension of ~~the factors of the Workshops in the~~ the Central Jail

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No 1399.

Mysore Public Works Dept.
Central Office
Circuit Branch

From,

Major R. H. Lawley R.E.
Offg Chief Engineer in Mysore

To,

The Secretary to the Commissioner
for the Government of the Territories
of His Highness the Rajah of Mysore

Dated the 28th September 1864.

Sir,

With reference to your docket
No 2188/364 of the 26th instant forwarding
Copy of Circular No 39 dated 25th August
from the Government of India regard-
-ing the extension of existing Jail ac-
-commodation, I have the honor to re-
-quest the Commissioner's instructions
as to whether I am to call for the re-
-quisite information, and should this
be the case that I be supplied with a
list of all existing Jail buildings as
a guide to the Executive Officers.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servt
R. H. Lawley Major
Offg Chief Engineer in Mysy

Bangalore
28th September
1864.

X Mysore D. R. Works
Central Office
Current Branch
No. 1399 No. 247.

From the Offg. Chief Engineer
in Mysore
To the Secretary to the Com=
=missioner of Mysore

Dated Bangalore the 8th Sept. 1864.
Despd. 9th Sept. 1864.
Recd. 12th " "
2 Enclosures"

Subject.

Requests instructions
in reference to Government
Circular No. 59 regarding
the extension of existing
Rail accommodation.

Answer 29th Sept. 64
Reply that the point has not been
referred to Depart. & will be subject
Mg/12 Dy - 31/10/64 B 3079/64

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From Secy. 1864. No 23
Dated 24

To Engr. Chief Engineer

Dated 4th October
Despatched
Received

Enclosures, No.

General No 2308
Mil. No 293

Subject.

In reply to letter 1395 dated the 28th ultimo, intimating that the Secretary has been requested to inform the ~~Secretary~~ Board of Trinity that accounts

By order.
Secy.

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Section P+J
File No 7-1964
Serial No 2

No 355

Mysore Public Works Department

No 1974 / Central Office
Current Branch

No 4/65.

From the Chief Engineer
in Mysore

To The Secretary to the Commissioner of Mysore.

Dated 1st Nov 1864
Despatched 3rd "
Received 18th "

Enclosures No One.

Subject

The Judicial Commissioners letter No 188 of the 16th instant on the subject of extending and improving portions of the Work Sheds in the Central Jail.

In forwarding the above (in original to be obligingly returned) the undersigned requests to be favored with the Commissioner's instructions with reference to this Office

No

Ans 7 of 30/4/65

Section

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3.

No 1965 of yesterday's date.

T. R. Stewart Major R
for Chief Engineer in Mysore

Canara, 18 Sept 64

Return the enclosed, desiring that I
remain in the present circumstances.

D 19/11/64

No 3150

1864. No 389.

From Secy.

To Chief Engineer.

Dated 22nd November.

Despatched –

Received

Enclosures No.

General No 3150

Mar. No 389.

Telegram from Secretary to Government No 1974 dated the 17th November 1864.

Returns the enclosure, and observes that the Commissioners in the Secretariat Department wish to be furnished with the Estimate and Enclosing Specifications of the Work sheds in the Central Jail.

By order.

22/11/64

Asst Engr.

Asst 18 17 30/11/64

1865. 6 No 84

From The Judicial Commissioner

To Secretary to Govr.

Dated 22d August 1865

Despatched

Received 26

Enclosures, No. Four.

Subject Forwards Copies of Correspondence regarding the construction of Privies in the Barrack Lines

Orders.

Report thro' Govr & forward the Minutes referred to in Govt letter 718C of 13 July when received the correspondence will be submitted to Govt

28/8/65

Nil

No 109.

Mysore Judl Commissioner's Office

Bangalore 22nd August 1865.

From

C. B. Saunders Esquire C. B.

Judicial Commissioner

in Mysore

To

The Acting Secretary

to the Commissioner

of Mysore

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge your G.I. No 1643 Docket 191 dated the 28th of July 1865 giving cover to copy of letter No 718. C. from the Secretary to the Government of India of the 13th Idem, calling for certain explanations with regard to the reason why a temporary building only was originally estimated for, as a Privy for Male prisoners, and as to the nature of the difficulty of keeping dry the earth stored for conservancy purposes seeing that Rupees 1800 for sheds for this very purpose was entered in the last Supplementary Estimate sanctioned on the 23rd of March last.

On receipt of the above I addressed the Chief

Engineer

Engineer to ascertain for what special purpose the above entry of Rs. 1800 had been entered in the last Supplementary Estimate, and I now enclose for the Commissioner's information copies of that Officer's reply with its enclosures which will sufficiently explain themselves. The proposed sheds which are intended for storing dry earth for night use in the several barrack wards have not yet been constructed, but will be commenced and carried out by the Prisoners, as soon as one or two more immediately pressing works have been completed. At present the dry earth has been stored in the work sheds and placed under cover in large heaps. There are two stone troughs in each ward or eight in each barrack which are used by the Prisoners nightly for purposes of nature under the dry earth system of conservancy and with perfect success in a sanitary point of view. The sheds, 2 in each yard, which have been estimated to cost Rs. 1800 will be used respectively for storing dry earth, and for holding tools and implements of manufacturing industry as well as raw materials and will be entirely

independent

independent of the building required to be constructed for storing dry earth in connection with the main Latrine outside the jail wall.

With reference to the latter building, I would beg to annex, for the Commissioner's information, a copy of a letter which I have received from the Offg President of the Madras Sanitary Commission communicating to me the fact, that the "Commission "so highly approve of the Plan of Earth Privy in the "jail at Bangalore combining as it does simplicity "and efficiency that they have adopted it as a standard "Plan to be introduced throughout this" (i.e. the Madras) "Presidency."

4 With reference to the enquiry made by the Government of India as to why a temporary building for the Privy was only estimated for in the first instance, I would beg to state that the introduction of the dry earth conservancy system had not been contemplated when the jail was originally constructed, and that it was only two or three months before the jail was occupied that the instructions of Government

were

were received calling for an experimental adoption of the above system and the submission of a report on its efficacy and general applicability to the Jails of this Province. The result of this experimental trial was, to convince the Local Authorities that the system could be introduced with the most perfect success, and it consequently became necessary to make immediate arrangements for its introduction into the Central Jail and for filling up the Cess Pools which had been already constructed in the Jail and for removing the other objectionable Latrine arrangements which had been partly commenced but not completely carried out in some of the radiating yards of the Jail.

5. At this time, viz in the middle of August 1864, it was found convenient to locate a small gang of 100 prisoners in the Jail, and gradually to increase the number, and it consequently became necessary to make immediate arrangements of a temporary character to introduce the dry earth system of conservancy, and the Executive

Engineer

Engineer was thereupon called upon emergently to advance on two occasions I believe sums of Rupees 100 for the purchase of materials for the construction of a temporary thatched shed on stone pillars to serve the purpose of a Privy until Estimates for the construction of a permanent Privy, upon improved principles, could be submitted for the sanction of the Supreme Government.

I enclose for the Commissioner's information copies of letters and extracts from the Jail Minute Book on the subject of the construction of the temporary shed and of the necessity of erecting a more durable and permanent structure for the use of the large number of Prisoners now congregated in the Jail, in conformity with the most approved principles and plans of dry earth conservancy, which the experience of the first few months' trial has enabled us to recommend for adoption.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedt Servant
Chas R Saunders
Judicial Commissioner

No. 1852. A. Mysore Public Works Deptt.

Central Office.

Current Branch.

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To

The Judicial Commissioner

of Mysore.

Bangalore.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 1st inst. No. 86, I have the honor to forward Extract from the Supplementary Estimate sanctioned on the 23rd March 1865, relating to the item of Rs 1800 provided for the Erection of dry Earth and tool sheds in the several Wards of the Jail, together with Copies of letters from the Executive Engineer on the subject, from which it will be seen that the Erection of the Sheds in the Jail is not superseded by that of the building in connection with the Latrine outside the Walls.

I have &c.

(signed) E. Lawford. Colonel R.E.

Chief Engineer

of Mysore.

Extract

Bangalore—
2nd August 1865.

Ans. 2 of 2nd inst. by the mail of the 4th August 1865.

Extract from the Abstract of Supplemental Estimate for constructing Work Sheds &c. in the Central Jail.

Items of Work.		Rate			Quantity	Cost.
		Rs.	A.	P.		
Excavation	Cft.	"	"	1/2	313	1
Earthwork filling basement		"	"	3/4	240	1
Stone in sand		"	1	3	313	24
Brick in clay		"	1	6	698	65
Brick in chunam		"	2	3	88	12
Plastering with chunam	Sq.	2	8	"	97½	24
Flooring with concrete		3	8	"	140	6
White wash		"	2	"	972	1
Teak wood wrought and put up	Cft.	3	"	"	21	63.
Doors battened	each	18	"	"	2	36
Roofing with teak rafters, tiles &c.	Sqrs.	15	"	"	3½0.	53
Total						285
Contingencies						" 14
Total of each						300
Total for 6						1800

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No. 207. Executive Engineers Office

Bangalore Division.

From

R. L. Dobbs Esq.

Executive Engineer, Bangalore Dn.

To

Colonel L. Lawford R. E.

Chief Engineer of Mysore.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your No. 1718 enclosing an original letter with Enclosure (herewith returned) from the Judicial Commissioner and requesting me to report on the subject referred to.

The sum of Rs. 1800 entered in the Supplementary Estimate, sanctioned by the Govt. of India on the 23rd of March last, provided for the construction of suitable rooms for the storage of dry earth within the several Central Enclosures of the Central Jail, and for the safe custody of garden and other tools.

3. The dry conservancy System was introduced after the completion of the buildings, and as it was absolutely necessary to provide a privy for the immediate

immediate use of the Prisoners, a temporary structure was erected at the request of the Judicial Commissioner.

4. The provision made for storage of dry earth in the Estimate, submitted with this Office No. 157 of 21st Ultimo, is for the quantity required for the use of the Prisoners who frequent the Latrine immediately constructed outside the Enclosure Wall.

I have &c.

Bangalore
7th August 1865.

Signed/ R. C. Dobbs.
Exec. Engr. B. Dn.

No. 204.

Executive Engineer's Office
Bangalore Division

R. C. Dobbs Esq.
Executive Engineer Bangalore Dn.

Colonel L. Lawford. RE
Chief Engineer of Mysore.

Sir,

In reply to your No. 1573 of the 18th inst. I have the honor to convey for your information Extract from the Report of Supplemental Estimate sanctioned by the Govt. of India on the 23rd of March 1865 and to observe that the amount referred to Rupees 1800, will be expended on the works Estimated for

Barracks

Shaw Spa.

Bangalore — 19th August 1865.

/signed/ R. L. Dobbs.
Exs. Engr. Barg. Dy.

Extract from the Report of Supplemental Estimate sanctioned by the Govt. of India on the 23rd March.

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IV. Lastly Workheds. Estimated cost Rupees 800. Since the occupation of the Jail the system of dry earth conservancy has been employed with marked success but as the original design made no provision for the requisite store rooms for the dry earth, and as the Commissioner is of opinion that a small room at the end of the Workshe in each Enclosure can be most advantageously constructed for this purpose, he has directed this to be provided for.

In addition to this a small lock-up store for ordinary garden and other tools is considered requisite and may conveniently be placed alongside of the small rooms for dry earth.

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/signed/ L. Lawford Col. R.E.
Chief Engineer of Mysore.

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/True Extract/

/signed/ R. C. Dobbs.

Exec: Engr: Baug: Dn.

/True Copies/

/signed/ E. Lawford Col: R.E.

Chief Engr: of Mysore.

"True Copies"

Chas W Saunders

Judicial Commissioner.

No. 2189
M.D. 326

From Secy. 1865

To Chief Engineer

Dated 30 August

Despatched - - -

Received

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Serial No 6

Enclosures No.

General No. 2189 } 1865 — 6
Genl. No. 326 }

Lieut Weir Asst Engr.
1641 dated 28th July 1865.
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Missing

With reference to the above, I request the Commissioners for the improvements & additions to the Custom House will be pleased to issue Letter Engraved to Lieut Weir Asst Engr. dated 13th July 1865.

By order

Secy.

Rec'd 24/8/65

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No 477

Mysore Public Works Dept.
Central Office
Accounts Branch

1865 to 1866

From the Chief Engineer
of Mysore

To the Secretary to the Commissioner of Mysore & Coorg

Dated
Despatched 12th October 1865
Received 13th —

Enclosures No 2

Subject Submitting for Commissioner's information 2 original letters from the Executive Engineer Canara & Dharwar Divisions showing the more urgent extraordinaire on the Central Road over the Budget Estimate, with certain observations thereon

Canara
13 Oct 65.

Forwd in original (the inland) to Govt Coorg for report
B 14/10/65

Section No
Serial No

Above the undersigned, after taking a copy. Observe that I am not prepared to admit (latly) the necessity of the Chief Engr has been superseded by the Govt Coorg. An additional outlay has no doubt been caused the original estimate has been largely exceeded, but I understand that improvements in internal management have partially proceeded from the Govt Coorg and it does not appear that he has stepped beyond his sphere in suggesting for construction works not provided for in the original estimates. I agree that these additional items are very useful but in recommending them within I believe that the Govt Coorg has only endeavored to carry out the views of the Govt of India as conveyed in the Report of the Govt Commission

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Mysore Public Works Department
Central Office
Accounts Branch

No. 1917
1865/66

From,

Colonel E. Lawford R.E.
Chief Engineer of Mysore

To,

The Secretary to the Commissioner
for the Government of the Territories
of His Highness the Rajah of Mysore
Bangalore dated 12th October 1865

Sir,

Account

In continuation of my No. 1785 dated 2nd x
6th Instant, I have the honor to submit for
the Commissioners information and obliging
return two Communications from the Executive
Engineer Bangalore Division Shewing the very
large excess Expenditure on the Central Jail over
the Budget allotment and anticipating excess
above the Estimates unless convict labor be
more largely employed.

x No. 322 & 328 of 11th & 12th October 1865

2 I have stopped the works until I can arrange for providing the necessary funds for carrying them on But I submit that the responsibility of the Chief Engineer has been superseded by the Judicial Commissioner in the management of these Buildings.

3 A Sum of about 11,000 Rupees of the

the excess arises from the consumption of Stock, which is allowable, but there is no authority for the Cash expenditure.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant

Colonel R.E.
Chief Engineer of Keystone

No. 322. 24 1877

Executive Engineer's Office
Bangalore Division.

From

H. C. Cobb Esquire.
Executive Engineer Bangalore Division.

To

Colonel E. Stanford R.E.
Chief Engineer of Mysore.

Sir,

With reference to your No. 41 of 6th instant, I have the honor to report for your information that the total expenditure on the Central Jail since the 1st of January is Rupees 35,000 or Rupees 23,000 in excess of the Annual allotment.

2. The expenditure prior to the 1st of January on the Estimate for Rupees 33,367 was only Rupees 10,000 instead of Rupees 23,000 as had been computed owing to the delay in obtaining sanction from the Government of India.

3. An addition to the work already sanctioned to the sum of Rupees 12,000 has been executed on work ordered by the Judicial Commissioner and for which sanction has not yet been obtained, under Report published in the supplemental Estimate for Rupees 20,241 submitted on the 6th instant.

I have the honor to be Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Executive Engineer Bangalore Div.

Bangalore
16th October 1877

K.R.

No 322

1865 dd 5 D.

From
The Executive Engineer
Bangalore Dn

To
The Chief Secretary
to Govt
in Revenue.

Dated 11th October

Subject.

Report on the expenditure
on the Central Jail.

N.328.

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Executive Engineer's Office.
Bangalore Division.

From

R.C. Dobbs Esquire.
Executive Engineer Bangalore Division

To -

Colonel E. Lanford R.E.
Chief Engineer of Mysore.

Sir,

In continuation of my N.322 of 11th inst. I have the honor to bring to your notice that the full amount of the Estimate has been expended on the several works lately carried on in the Central Jail and I am of opinion that if the remaining portion is not completed by Prison labour the amount of Sanction will not be sufficient to cover the cost of the work.

Bangalore
12th October 1865

I have the honor to be Sir
Your most obt. Servt.
R.C. Dobbs.
Executive Engineer, Bangalore

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1860.

No. 25.

No. 328

From

The Executive Engineer
Berhampore Division

To

The Chief Engineer
in Orissa.

Dated 12th October

1860

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that the concluding portion of the work on the Central Canal is not completed by Contractor the Amount of Security will not be sufficient to cover the cost of the work.

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From Secy, 1865

No 3228
Rec'd 468

To Chief Engineer

Dated 20th Oct.
Despatched
Received

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Enclosures No.

General No 3228 } 1865.
Rec'd No 468 }

Your letter No. 1962
dated the 14th Oct. 1865.

In reply to the above
conveys the Govt. sanction
to the transfer noted marg
toward the requirements for
the Central Jail.

By order

B 19/10/65

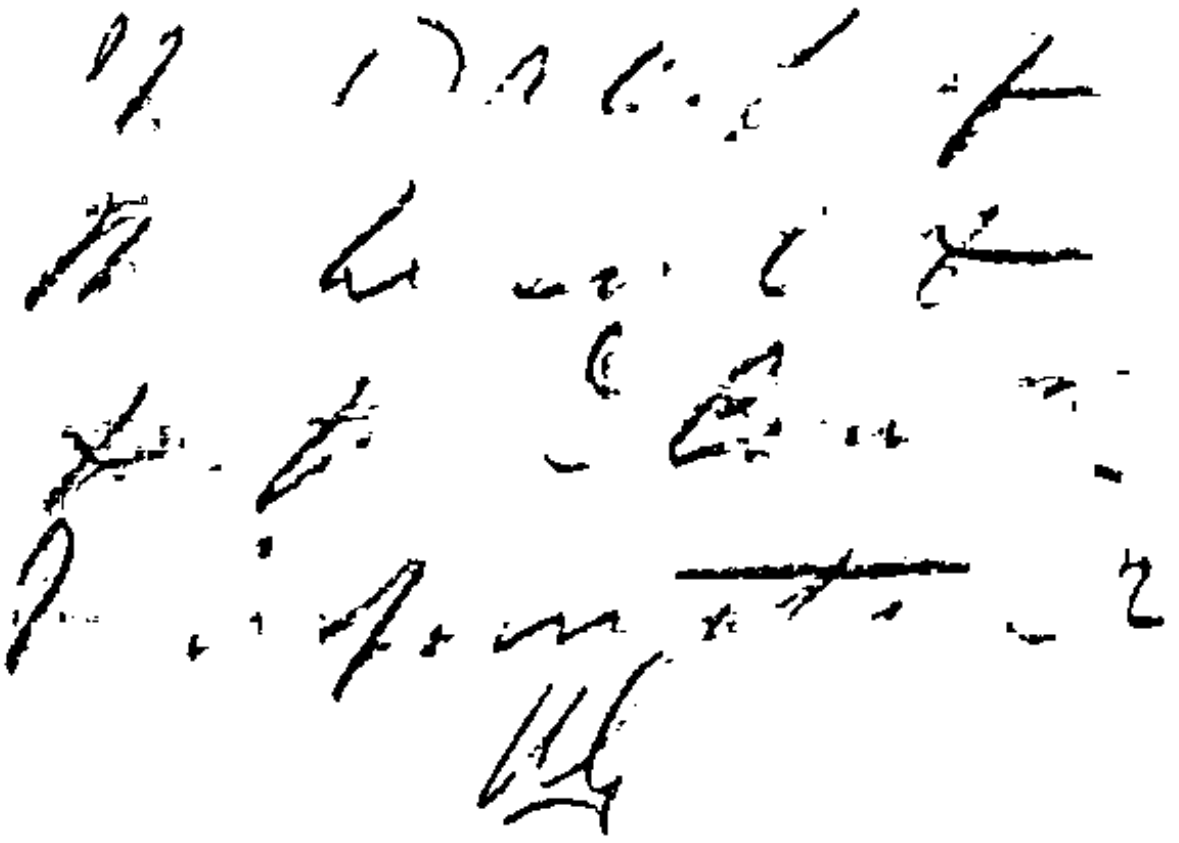
Secy.

Sd under Secy
19/10

Rs. 3000 from the allotment for the Road from Hodde Balapur Gaibedhana.

Rs. 3000 from the Bangalore - Nelamangala Road.

Rs. 3000 from Constituency the Bangalore - Hurridhan Road.



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Gl N. 3463 / 1865/66.
G.W.D. N 502 Q

Bangalore 31st October 1865.

To

The Chief Engineer

of Coorg.

Sir

In returning the enclosure of your letter No. 1917 dated the 12th Instant, I am directed to observe that the Govt. is not prepared to admit that the responsibility of the Chief Engineer has been superseded by the Govt. Govt. in the matter referred to.

2. The additional outlay on the Central Jail has no doubt been large, and the original estimate has been greatly exceeded, but the Govt. understands that improvements in internal management should principally emanate from the Govt. Govt., and it does not appear to Govt. Govt. Govt. that he has stepped beyond his province in suggesting for construction

D 30/10/65

construction works not provided for in the original estimates.

3. The Govt agrees that these additional works are very costly, but recommending their adoption he believes that the Govt has only endeavoured to carry out the views of H.M. Govt of India as conveyed in the Report of the Sail Commission.

I have &c

Lt Col

Secy.

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1865

Mr Smith
Mr Hawkins
Mr Fergusson
The Chief Engineer

31st October 1865

Lt Col Yule 31 Oct
PWD 302 ult

Returns the Enclosures of Letter No 1917 dated 14th ult, & Sketch, and desires that the Govt may be informed in reply to the question referred to, whether the Chief Engineer has been authorized by the Public Works Department to submit that the improvements in the Central Sail of the Breakwater Entrance from him, and which has not obtained our sanction, should be carried out before the Construction of the Additional Pier (Sketch) for which regular Estimates are submitted.

Chief Engineer
Bombay

31st Oct 65

Rec

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that in a recent visit to the Jail
it appeared to be necessary to make
certain improvements & additions to
the building in respect to 1. the
privy arrangements. 2. the working
sheds & 3. the Barrack dietary plans
& confinement. In addition to
these the Jail Surgeon has recom-
mended the construction of proper
bathhouses in his letter to the Supt
No 2017 23 Jan 65. At the
rate of these works are made requisi
I have, subject to the concurrence
of the Govt. sanctioned their being
taken in hand. The estimates will
be forwarded as soon as received.
The annexed correspondence will
explain all the details referred to

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1865-6. No 22

From

The Judicial Commissioner

To

Secretary

Dated 3rd May 1865

Despatched

Received 1st June

Enclosures No One

No 29

Subject

Forwarding Copies of Correspondence and requesting that the Comrs authority may be obtained to the prosecution of the additional Works at the Central Jail upon the conditions laid down by the Chief Engineer.

Comm

1 June 65.

Comy sanction is granted for the proposed alteration of the Fort of Jail, observing

Section
No
Serial No

No. 29.

Mysore Judl. Commrs's Office.

Bangalore 29th May 1865.

From

C. B. Saunders Esq. C.B.

Judicial Commissioner

in Mysore.

To

The Sy. Secretary to the

Commissioner

of Mysore.

Sir,

In forwarding for the information of the Commissioner copies of correspondence marginally noted, with their enclosures, I have the honor to request, in accordance with the Chief Engineer's suggestion, that you will be so good as to obtain the Commissioner's sanction to the execution of the additional Works at the Central Jail, upon the terms and conditions laid down by Col. Langford.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obdt. Servant

C. B. Saunders

Judicial Commissioner.

From the Judl. Commrs. to the Chief Engr. Dt. 23rd May/65 No. 120

" " " " " 22 " "

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Dt. 25th May/65 No. 4042.

Encl.

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No 20

Mysore Jail Commissr's Office
Bangalore 23rd May 1865

To

The Chief Engineer
in Mysore

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for your consideration a plan of certain improvements and alterations which I am desirous to see carried out in the Central Jail and which I anticipate can be effected at a comparatively small cost, with a view to the more secure and convenient employment of such of the Prisoners as may be employed as Carpenters and Ironsmiths.

2. At present no workshops exist wherein the trades of Carpentery and Ironsmithery can be carried on excepting the open Sheds in the different radiating yards or Compartments of the Inner Jail. I need scarcely point out to you how very inadvisable it is to allow forges to be constructed and all the necessary tools for carrying on the above more or less dangerous branches of trade or handycraft to be kept

in

in such immediate propinquity to the sleeping wards occupied by the Prisoners.

3 It is almost impossible that the tools and other implements of their trade, as well as the iron and timber employed by them in their laborious occupations should be removed daily to and from a place of greater security by the Prisoners while such a proceeding would very materially interfere with the profitable employment of their time.

4 Under these circumstances I am of opinion that it is desirable that suitable and well secured workshops within an enclosed yard should be constructed in which the above trades can be carried on without danger and to which access can only be obtained during the hours of labor, while at the same time the tools and implements employed by the Prisoners can always be securely kept and guarded. With this view I have designed the accompanying plan for a work shed and yard in connection with the present range of Reception Cells and to which I propose that access should alone be obtained through an iron gate at the end

of

of the Corridor of the above building.

5 I am of opinion that the whole work can be constructed on the accompanying plan at a comparatively very trifling cost, such might I fancy be very legitimately decided to the savings which have already accrued to the Department in the construction of the buildings for the Female Criminals, as well as those which may be expected to arise from the Economical construction with prison labor of the other buildings now being erected in connection with the Jail. If a separate Estimate be submitted to the Supreme Government in conformity with the suggestions contained in my other letters of this days date for the new privy and for the palisaded walls which the proposed construction of the former building and the instructions of the Supreme Government in regard to the erection of the buildings for the accommodation of European prisoners necessitate I consider that it will in all probability be found to be quite practicable to carry out the improvements shewn in the accompanying plan, as well as the proposed enlargement of the Cook sheds

referred

ferred to in my letter No 22 of this date from the per centage allowance for contingencies and from the savings effected on the other sanctioned works.

6. The space between the proposed new work shop and the palissaded wall I would propose to convert into a yard for storing and cutting up fuel for the use of the prisoners. A low wall 10 or 12 feet high covered with broken bottles with a gate, and a small shed for storing Convicts tools is all that the construction of which it will be necessary to make provision.

I have &c

(signed) C. B. Saunders

Judl Commissioner

Mysore Judl Commrs Office

Bangalore 23rd May 1865

No 21.

To

The Chief Engineer

in Mysore

Sir,

I have the honor to annex for your perusal and information an

Extract

Extract from a Minute recorded on the Commissioners in the Minute Book of the Central Jail on the occasion of the recent inspection of that institution.

2 In connection with the above I would beg to draw your attention to the previous Minute which was recorded by Doctor Kirkpatrick the Surgeon of the Mysore Commission in the above book on the 20th of February last and which for facility of reference is marginally given.

"The amount of privy accommodation is insufficient for so large a number of Prisoners as there are now in the Jail, and consequently there is almost an impossibility for carrying out the dry system of sewage so completely as it ought to do. The plan of privy in the Woman Compartment seems to answer well, and it might probably be adopted with advantage on a larger scale for the men."

3 In connection with the above subject some correspondence has taken place between the Deputy Superintendent of the Bangalore District, the Executive Engineer and myself and the construction of the Privy has as you are aware been already commenced with Convict Labor as a work of emergent necessity. The former privy

accommodation

accommodation a mere thatched shed being avowedly insufficient and of a temporary and unsuitable character.

4 The Executive Engineer in his letter No 673 of the 15th of April 1865 to the address of the Officiating Deputy Superintendent states on the information of Mr Brown that Mr Brown for the main Prisoners was not included in the Supplemental Estimate but was to be added to the Central Prison, but adds that he was of opinion that it might be constructed from the amount provided for Contingencies which was upwards of 1000 Rupees, and as the Supplemental Estimate amounting to Rupees 33,700 had already been sanctioned the proposed work might be put in hand at once.

5 Under these circumstances the proposed work was duly put at once in hand on account of the great urgency and because it was highly necessary that the buildings should, if possible, be erected before the Commencement of the Monsoon. Even a limited and sufficient supply of dry earth as necessary under the present system of Conservancy might be

timely

Survey Board on new Curing Shed, Kum season

6 I am however of opinion that it is not advisable that a work of such importance, and one which should be constructed of the very best and most durable materials should be left to be carried out from a mere marginal allowance set apart for small and unexpected Contingencies not specially provided for in the supplemental Estimate.

7 Under these circumstances, I would beg to recommend that a Special Estimate accompanied by the requisite Plans of the proposed Curing Sheds I am given to understand are now under preparation in your Office be submitted for the sanction of the Viceroy in Council together with an Explanation of the grounds on which the work in Contemplation hereunto have been undertaken and are now in progress.

I have &c

Signed C. H. Lumsden

Judl. Commissioner

Extract

It is to be hoped that the new Curing Shed may be constructed as soon as possible,

as

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as it is difficult at present to keep the earth dry owing to the state of the roof of the shed which admits rain and new arranges the benefit of the dry earth. There is also an excellent tank from the adjoining ground owing to the prisoners making water where they work.

Report Jail Commissioner

No 22

Bangalore 23rd May 1865

To

The Chief Engineer

in Mysore

Sir,

I have the honor to annex for your information an Extract from a Minute recorded by the Commissioner on the 20th Instant in the Jail Minute book after his recent inspection of the Central Jail.

2. You will observe that the Commissioner is of opinion that the proposed enlargement of the Cook sheds as Estimated for in the Supplemental Budget which has already received the sanction of the Secretary in Council will not afford adequate space

for

for the pots and pans or sufficient ac-
=commodation in general for the Cooking
purposes of the large number of Prisoners
confined in each barrack.

3. You are aware that one out of
four of the Cooksheds has been already
enlarged and is nearly completed.
This shed was enlarged in accordance
with the Commissioners original suggestion
and in conformity with the plan which
I had originally proposed viz: by adding
two pillars instead of one as appears
erroneously to have been only estimated
for by the Executive Engineer) on each side
of those which previously existed and
by proportionally increasing the roofs.

4. The Error does not appear to
have been found out until after the en-
=largement of the Cookshed had been car-
=ried out, but as I entirely concur with
the Commissioner that a Cookshed of four
Compartments will not be sufficient while
one of six Compartments will barely af-
=ford adequate accommodation for Cooking
purposes for the prisoners of each barrack
I would beg to recommend very strongly

that

that the three remaining Cooksheds should be enlarged on the principle of the one which has already been altered and that the Expense be either defrayed from the contingency fund, or from the amount saved in the construction of the other sanctioned buildings, or if necessary that a Supplemental Estimate for the required increase in the Cost of the Cookhouses be submitted to Superior authority for sanction.

I have &c.

Signed E. M. Saunders

Jail Commissioner

Extract.

Having examined a Cook shed & 6 Compartments which are now receiving new Condemned, and which is larger than the estimated size, it certainly appears to me that there is not more space contained in the range than is needed for Cooking purposes and for storing the prisoners' pots and pans. Eight Cooks for reward will require four Compartments, which is all that the Estimate, I believe, provides for, and in this Case the prisoners' pots must be stored elsewhere. I am afraid that the space provided

will

will be insufficient. 39

Mysore Judl Commrs Office
Bangalore 23rd May 1865

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To

The Chief Engineer
in Mysore

Sir

I have the honor to annex an extract from the Commissioner's minute of the 20th Instant, recorded in the Central Jail minute book.

2 With reference to the Commissioner's suggestion I have deemed it advisable to stop the construction of the wall round the new Central Jail, which had been commenced upon the same plan as that which has been erected in front of the female ward, and to direct the enlargement of the Jail subject to your approval to give effect to Mr Bowring's recommendation by enlarging the area of the enclosure in the manner shewn in the accompanying rough plan.

3 By this arrangement the area enclosed will be considerably enlarged,

while

while the length of the palisaded wall and its Consequent Cost will be but very slightly increased and to an extent which I doubt not will not be found to affect the Estimate in any very appreciable degree.

I would beg while on the subject to state that as the Supreme Government have directed that the Buildng. for European Criminals should not be erected as originally proposed in one of the radiating Compartments of the inner Jail, but be constructed in the north west angle of the Jail which should be enclosed by a palisaded wall to correspond with that which divides off the Civil Debtors' Jail from the rest of the Prison, I would beg to suggest that a supplemental Estimate for the Cost of the above palisaded wall the construction of which is rendered necessary by the orders of Government be forthwith submitted for sanction and I would further beg very strongly to recommend that a further Estimate be submitted at the same time for the construction of a similar palisaded wall to enclose the fourth

and

and only remaining angle of the Jail within which enclosed space the sheds for the manufacture of paper, pottery &c. are situated, and through which it is intended that access to the proposed new privy in the Garden enclosure outside the Jail should be obtained. The construction of a palisaded wall in the above position would add very considerably to the general appearance, convenience and security of the Jail

5 These palisaded walls should be estimated for and constructed on the same principle as that which is being now erected in the Debtors Yard in accordance with the Commissioners suggestion and as shewn in the accompanying plan. I propose that the whole frontage should be palisaded but that that portion which is at right angle to the outer walls should be constructed of Stone masonry and carried up to the same height as the former, in order to afford greater security and also to conceal to some extent from view the Cook houses and privies of the European Civil Debtors and Criminal Prisoners

in

on their respective Yards or Compartments.

I have &c.

Signed C. B. Saunders

Judl. Commissioner

Extract

I think the wall inside which it is proposed to enclose the new Debtors' Jail is taken off at too acute an angle from the outer wall; and that it might be preferable to enclose a somewhat larger space so that the wall should not abut so closely on the Debtors' ward. Indeed I am of opinion that a simple palisading would be preferable to a wall.

Mysore Public Works Depart.

Central Office

Current Branch

C. F. No. 104

To

The Judicial Commissioner

of Mysore

Sir,

In acknowledging the receipt of your letters as per margin I have the honor to inform you that I have given instructions

Nos. 20, 21, 22 and 23, dated 23rd May 1865.

instructions to the Executive Engineer to frame Estimates for the additional works now proposed to be executed at the Central Jail, but in the mean time I would suggest that the Commissioner be requested to sanction the same, the Cost to be defrayed, as far as possible, out of savings on the sanctioned Estimates.

I have &c.

(Signed) E Lawford Colonel R.E.
Chief Engineer of Mysore

Bangalore
25th May 1865

"True Copies"

Judicial Commissioner.

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Enclosed in letter from
Judicial Comm. No. 29
dated 29 May 1895

2 No. 328. Office of Sanitary Commr

Madras 11th August 1865.

From

Insp. Genl. of Hospitals D. Macpherson M.D.

Offg. President Sanitary Commr.

Madras.

To

C. B. Saunders Esq:

Judicial Commissioner

of Mysore.

Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to cause information to be forwarded to me regarding the mode in which the Earth Privy in use at the Bangalore Jail is cleansed, the dimensions of the structure, and the number of people who daily resort to it.

2. This Commission, on a Sketch submitted by Surgeon Major Porteous, do highly approve of the Plan in the Jail at Bangalore, combining as it does simplicity and Efficiency, that they have adopted it as a Standard Plan to be introduced throughout this Presidency.

I have &c.

(signed) D. Macpherson.

Offg. President Sanitary Commr.

True

True Copy

Chas. Saunders

Judicial Commissioner.

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To

C. C. Dobbs Esqure.

Executive Engineer

Goa Goa Goa.

Sir,

As 100 Convicts have been sent today to be located in the Central Jail, and as some 200 more are expected in on Thursday, I respectfully beg you will have the goodness to grant me an advance of Rupees (100) one hundred to Enable me to purchase materials necessary for the immediate construction of a temporary Privy in the Jail garden for the use of the Prisoners quartered in the new Central Jail.

I beg to remain

Sir

Your most obdt: Servt:

(signed) W. Hutson

Central Jail
16th Augt 1865

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True Copy

Judicial Commissioner.

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Extracts from the Jail Minute Book with orders thereon

4 8th September 1864.

The Privy now being erected in the Jail Garden will be insufficient for the large number of Prisoners who are congregated in the Jail and it will therefore be necessary for the Executive Engineer to sanction the construction of another building for the above purpose.

Orders thereon

Extract to be sent to the Executive Engineer with a request to comply with the suggestion of the Judicial Commissioner.

/signed/ C. B. Saunders 8-9-64. /signed/ C. Pearse

20th February 1865.

The accommodation is insufficient for so large a number of Prisoners as are now in the Jail, and consequently there is almost an impossibility of carrying on the dry earth system of sewerage so completely as it ought for consideration and to be. The plan of privy in the women's compartment seems to answer well and it might probably be adopted with advantage on a larger

Extract to be forwarded to the Superintendent

/signed/ C. Pearse.

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larger scale for the men.

/signed/ J. Kirkpatrick. M.D.

11th April 1865.

The new privies for the Males should be at once taken in hand and completed before the rains set in, this work being one of urgent necessity on sanatory grounds. The Executive Engineer has, it is understood, already intimated his intention and ability to provide the necessary funds for the commencement of the work, and no further delay in commencing the work, which has been sanctioned on the urgent requisition of the Officer in Medical charge, should be allowed to occur.

/signed/ C. B. Saunders.

20th May 1865.

It is to be hoped that the new privy sheds may be constructed as soon as possible as it is difficult at

Extract to be sent at once to the Executive Engineer with a request to place the money at the disposal of the Officer in charge of the Jail.

/signed/ C. Pearse.

at present to keep the earth dry owing to the state of the roof in the shed which admits rain and neutralizes the benefit of the dry earth. There is also an offensive smell from the adjoining ground owing to the prisoners making water where they wash.

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/signed/ L. Bowring.

Mr. Hutton has received orders to push this work on as speedily as possible.

/signed/ C. Pearse.

True Copy

Chas. N. Saunders

Judicial Commissioner.

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With reference to the above forwards for information copy & a letter No. 1237 C dy the 20th ultimo from the Secy. to the Govt. & India communicating sanction to the supplemental estimate amounting to Rs. 20,040 for certain additions and improvements to the Central Jail at Bangalore.

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